

DETERMINED ATTACK ON THE SEVASTOPOL BY THE JAPANESE

NOW IN OTTAWA.

Last Vessel of the Russian Port Arthur Fleet Returned the Fire of the Enemy's Guns with Vigor for Several Nights.

HAS BEEN DAMAGED
BUT IS STILL AFLOAT

Definite Information Received in Tokio From Port Arthur to that Effect--Much Depends on This Vessel's Resistance.

Tokio, Dec. 15.—A Port Arthur telegram announces definitely that the Sevastopol has been damaged but is still afloat.

Baron Hayashida's Report.

London, Dec. 15.—Baron Hayashida, the Japanese minister, has issued the following telegram received from Tokio, giving additional details of the torpedo attacks on the Sevastopol: "A torpedo boat is still missing, the rest have returned from the attack on the Sevastopol. The Sevastopol's bow is reported under yesterday's date to have been sunk three feet. The observation station reported that the boat's bow is sunk more than three feet and her torpedo tube is submerged completely."

CONFLICTING REPORTS.

Whether the Sevastopol Has Been Put Out of Commission.

London, Dec. 15.—Several reports are current this morning regarding the outcome of the torpedo attacks which Admiral Togo has been delivering against the Russian battleship Sevastopol at Port Arthur. Admiral Togo himself says it was impossible at the time of writing to tell just what the result had been.

The Tokio correspondent of the Reuters Telegram Company, wiring under the date of this morning, says that a later despatch received there asserts that the battleship has been successfully torpedoed.

The Rome correspondent of Central News, however, claims that he has information to the contrary; he says the attempt was a failure.

Should it prove true that the Sevastopol has been put out of commission, it would mean that the Port Arthur fleet was a thing of the past.

ATTACKS ON SEVASTOPOL.

Russian Warship Returned Japanese Fire With Good Measure.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Japanese legation has received the following cablegram from Tokio:

"Commander of naval artillery reports that bombardment on the 12th was principally aimed at arsenal and torpedo depot at Tiger Tail and at steamboats in its vicinity. Torpedo depot ablaze one hour. Three ships were destroyed and one sunk beside buildings greatly damaged. Indirect bombardment upon Sevastopol staying outside harbor was suspended owing to bad weather which prevented observation. Togo reports torpedo boat flotilla attacked Sevastopol twice on the night of the 12th and three times on the night of the 13th. The result is uncertain. Each time they met the enemy's fierce fire and one of our torpedo boats was disabled but towed back, while three received one shot each. Our total casualties only three men wounded."

PROGRESS ON THE "VERMONT"

New Battleship Is Less Than One-Third Constructed.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The last report to the navy department of the progress made in the construction of the new battleship Vermont at the yards of the Fore River Ship and Engine Building company, shows that vessel to be 29 and 5-10 completed. The progress of the work is at the rate of about three or three and one-half per cent. a month. Second Lieutenant Robert Farquharson, U. S. marine corps, who has been in attendance at the school of application, Annapolis, Maryland, has been ordered to the New York navy yard for duty. Lieutenant Farquharson was appointed about a year ago from Vermont upon the recommendation of Senator Proctor.

Didn't Break Liquor Law.

Woodstock, Dec. 15.—Jerome Dumas of Proctorsville, charged with breaking the liquor law, was tried in Windsor county court yesterday and found not guilty. The case of Ellis vs. Durkee, an action to recover the value of oil stocks, was continued and in the case of Carlysle vs. Martin, an action to recover the value of a horse, harness and other property, a verdict was ordered for the defendant.

Vermont and New York Commission on Lake Champlain Fishing.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 15.—Delegates appointed by the government of Vermont and New York are at Montreal and will wait on the Quebec government with a view to obtaining uniform game laws for Quebec and the Northern American states. The delegation consists of ex-Lieut. Governor Fisk, Fish and Game Commissioner Thomas, Senator Silsby, representing the legislature of Vermont, and Major Pond, chief game protector of New York state, with Senators Prime and Cullen and Assemblymen H. Knapp and W. Reeves.

Major Pond said: "We will confer with the Canadian officials to secure uniform laws relative to international fishing between the two above named state and Quebec and Ontario and think legislation will be enacted to remedy existing evils. We want net fishing in the Great Lakes and rivers prohibited. The state of Vermont recently stocked Lake Champlain with some 150,000 pike. Unfortunately they could not prohibit seine fishing until a similar enactment by the Canadian government took place." The party will visit Toronto and Ottawa to confer with the Ontario and Dominion governments.

GROWTH OF C. E. SOCIETY.

World Wide Enrollment Is Now Over 65,000—Planning Convention.

Boston, Dec. 15.—Reports read at the executive committee meeting of the United Society of Christian Endeavor here yesterday showed new societies added during the last quarter to be 565 making the total world wide enrollment over 65,000.

New floating societies have been organized on the battleships Ohio and Maine, and the cruisers Newark, Boston and Chicago.

Preparations for the Baltimore convention in July, 1906, were reported to be well under way. The army in Baltimore seating 16,500 and music hall, accommodating 3,000 more have already been secured for auditoriums, and a number of churches also will be used. A choir of more than three thousand persons will be trained for the convention.

WESTERNERS FLEECE.

Lost \$68,000 at One Sitting in a New York Gambling House.

New York, Dec. 15.—According to a story given out here late last night Police Inspector McCluskey, chief of the New York detective bureau, has received a report that two men, one from Chicago and the other from Chicago, both wealthy, lost \$68,000 a few nights ago in a New York gambling house. Of this amount \$44,000, which had been given in checks was recovered but \$24,000, the cash losses, were not refunded.

The story says the men were introduced into the house by a person representing himself as an old school friend of the Cleveland man. The day after the play the two men became convinced that they had been victimized and the detective at their hotel and a central office man were notified and recovered \$44,000 in checks. The names of the men have been withheld.

COULDN'T ENDURE PAIN.

So Syracuse, N. Y., Man Blew Top of His Head Off.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 15.—George Luttinger, Sr., 67 years old, committed suicide in the cellar of his home yesterday by placing a charge of powder in his mouth and lighting it. The top of his head was blown off by the explosion. Luttinger had been suffering from a cancer under his tongue and said he could not bear the pain any longer.

YOUNG VICTIM STILL ALIVE.

East Wallingford Boy, Horribly Mangled Two Weeks Ago, Is Still Alive.

Rutland, Dec. 14.—A despatch received here states that Joseph Stewart, the four years old son of Joseph Stewart, who was horribly mangled by a charge from a shot gun in the hands of his brother two weeks ago, is still alive. It is possible that the boys never will be able to explain just how it happened.

A Bethel Couple Wedded.

Bethel, Dec. 15.—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tyler David Strout at eight o'clock last evening Miss Maude Alice, their daughter, was married to Harry J. Sandpra, by the Rev. J. Hall Long of the Congregational church. The couple stated on the night train on their wedding trip. Upon their return they will reside in this village, where Mr. Sandpra is employed by the E. C. Fisher Tannery Co. as a carrier.

In view of the investigating committee to the legislature, there ought not to be any time lost in the removal of the superintendent of state prison and the members of the state board of prison and house of correction. It does not appear and there is no reason for supposing that they have intended to loot the state. It simply comes from long tenor in office and a sort of feeling of personal proprietorship which does not go far enough to take care of the state's financial interests as would be the case if it was really a personal matter.—Northfield News.

INDICTED SEVEN TIMES

Cassie Chadwick's Troubles Are Multiplying

IS HOOTED AND DERIDED
Notorious Woman Met by Big Throng of People When She Returned to Cleveland, Her Home City, Yesterday Afternoon.

Cleveland, Dec. 15.—Five times indicted by the United States government at the exact minute that her train rolled in to the station Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick came home to Cleveland yesterday afternoon. She was greeted with jeers, hoots, and hisses by the crowds that gathered in front of the depot when her train arrived, howled at by hundreds gathered in front of the federal building. The last sound that reached her from the outside world, as she passed into the stuffy, ill smelling office of Sheriff Barry in the county jail was the hoot of derision from the people massed in front of the doorway. She made no attempt to give bail and after a brief stop in the office of the clerk of the United States court was taken to jail. She was held last night in cell 14 in the women's department of the jail. Her palatial residence Euclid avenue, of which the furnishings alone are valued at \$200,000, was occupied by her maid.

Her courage held to the last, but her body failed her, and when she had mounted the three flights of stairs leading to the tier of cells where she is to remain, she fainted. But for the aid of United States Marshals Kumb and Keller, who held her up and almost carried her along as she mounted the stairs, she never would have been able to reach her cell. Breathless, pale and staggering, she was barely able to reach a chair, as the steel door of the woman's corridor swung open to receive her. She sank feebly into the seat, her hand fell backward, and but for the marshals she would have rolled to the floor. Water was brought quickly to her, and in a few seconds she revived, and was again a woman of business. Her first request was that her lawyer, Sheldon Q. Kernish, be sent for, and she was soon engaged in a conference with him concerning her defence.

There is small chance that she will be able to leave the jail before her trial. There are now seven indictments against her—five additional charges having been laid against her in the federal court this afternoon. It would require surety to the amount of \$100,000 to give her freedom. She has no idea of giving bail and will remain in jail.

Mrs. Chadwick's train was scheduled to arrive at 11:10 a. m., but it was three hours later when it reached Cleveland. The delay served to increase the crowd of the curious at the station. When the train finally rolled in there was a rush from the further end of the iron fence that kept the crowd off the tracks. This mob had broken through the police, swarmed over the fence and through the gate upon the tracks, so that when the train came to a standstill there was about a thousand persons about the cars.

Mrs. Chadwick stated her age to be 38 years, her residence as Cleveland and the United States the country of her birth. During this examination by the sheriff she was scarcely able to stand and a chair was proffered her. She declined to accept it and was led to the jail corridor, a few steps away. There are three flights of stairs to the corridor. Mrs. Chadwick was scarcely able to walk, although supported by three men. On reaching the cell room, she fainted. Dr. Townsend, a friend of Mrs. Chadwick, was hastily sent for but she revived. Soon after she arrived at the jail Mr. Kerruish spent some time in consultation with her. Several women requested to see Mrs. Chadwick but were refused. After she had been in jail several hours a man acting for a local literary firm which claims Mrs. Chadwick owes it \$35 for unpaid bills attempted to serve a summons on her in the suit, but Sheriff Barry declined to allow him to do so.

Although in her own city, no friendly face greeted her at the car and Mrs. Chadwick stepped into her carriage as if she had been an entire stranger.

The crowd had become impatient with the delay of Mrs. Chadwick's appearance and jeered and whistled. When Mrs. Chadwick's son, Emil, and her faithful nurse appeared on the car platform and alighted, Mrs. Chadwick was recognized by the crowd and there was a spontaneous outburst of jeers, whistles and coarse epithets. "Where's the money?" greeted Mrs. Chadwick and as the spirit of the mob dwined upon her she seemed to grow faint and wavered as though about to fall. It seemed that but for the deputy marshals supporting her, she must have utterly collapsed. The camera flash was there in all its glory, despite the overcast sky dark day, and through this battery passed Mrs. Chadwick, Marshal Chandler and his two deputies into their carriage. They were immediately driven away to the federal building.

CALL FOR MORE AID.

Fall River Textile Workers Ask More Generous Support.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 14.—General Secretary Hibbert of the United Textile Workers today issued an appeal to the textile unions of the United States, in which he asked for more generous support for the striking textile workers of this city.

HURLED INTO RIVER

Suspension Bridge Fell With Human Freight

THREE PEOPLE WERE LOST
Fifteen Children Were Rescued from the Water Into Which They Were Thrown a Distance of 65 Feet.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 15.—A suspension bridge over the Elk river collapsed this morning and a number of school children were precipitated 65 feet to the river below. The ice was broken through and the children struggled frantically in the freezing water. Rescuers saved all but two. Three teams went down with the bridge. All the horses were drowned. Two drivers were injured and one is missing. It is supposed he is under the ice.

Fifteen children were rescued uninjured.

WILL CLEAR \$125.

Ladies' Aid Fair at Graniteville Proved to Be Very Successful.

Graniteville, Dec. 15.—The second and last evening of the Ladies' Aid fair was a very successful one. The hall was crowded and everybody pleased with the excellent entertainment, which consisted of the "Katy Did" cantata, by the young ladies from Barre under the direction of Miss Phillips.

The guessing contest on the number of pieces in the quilt was very exciting, for three persons guessed the correct number, which was 966. Mrs. Effie Morrison was the one to draw the lucky slip. The guessing contest on the number of beans in the pint jar for a willow rocker was won by Roswell Miles, who guessed 1066 beans. The correct number was 1038. A large crowd was served with cake, coffee and ice cream in the dining room by the ladies in charge. The ladies expect to make about \$125.00 on the two nights' fair.

W. H. Miles was in Burlington yesterday to attend the funeral of his niece, Miss Helen Miles.

The fifteenth game of the cribbage tournament will be played tomorrow evening between the C. O. F. and F. of A. teams.

Harry Packard has gone to Sullivan, Maine, where he expects to find employment.

The Modern Woodmen will hold their annual New Year's Ball on Friday evening, December 30, at Miles' hall. A grand time is expected.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

A. Tomasi went to St. Albans today on business.

Holly and holly wreaths for the Christmas season at Emalie's, Pearl street.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson of Clark street last night.

F. K. Bailey went to Roxbury and Randolph last night on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Bessette of Washington went to Sherbrooke, P. Q., today on a visit.

Mrs. J. H. Watson of Montpelier visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Davis yesterday.

Mrs. Eva Baldwin is quite ill with congestion of the spine at the home of Mrs. George Northrop.

George Youngs has returned from Oklahoma, where he has been engaged in cutting stone for the past six months.

Miss Lena Allen finished work in Mrs. Bond's millinery store yesterday and will go to her home in Bradford Saturday.

Mrs. D. M. Miles and Miss M. A. Miles returned this afternoon from Burlington, where they went to attend the funeral of their niece, Miss Helen Miles.

F. M. Andreani was appointed court interpreter in the case of S. Garibaldi for attempted assault which was tried in Orange county court at Chelsea yesterday.

The masquerade social under the auspices of the I. O. G. T., at Miles' hall, Friday evening, will begin with the grand march at 8 o'clock. There will be a miscellaneous programme, and refreshments will be served. The admission fee will be 25 cents.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church at its meeting yesterday afternoon, voted to give \$500 to the fund for enlarging the Congregational church edifice. Rev. F. A. Poole, the pastor, has already received pledges for more than \$2500 for this purpose.

There will be a meeting of the Mother's society, I. M. M. C., in the K. of P. hall, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All mothers whose children's birthdays come in the months of October, November and December, are requested to be present, as an entertainment is to be planned.

The third lecture in the Barre Entertainment Course was given in the opera house last evening by Rev. P. S. Henson, D.D., pastor of Tremont Temple, Boston. Dr. Henson's subject was "Fools," and he gave a very interesting talk, describing the various kinds of fools to be found in all walks of life.

Prayer services for Mrs. George Perrin will be held Saturday morning from the late home on North Main street, Rev. H. F. Love officiating, and the body will be taken to Randolph on the 8:25 train where funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock at the home of George A. Sargent.

RED MEN VANQUISHED.

Braves Were Not a Match For F. of A. Cribbagers Last Evening.

In the cribbage league contest last evening the F. of A. team defeated the Red Men at five tables to three. The result by tables was as follows: Flynn and Stephen, F. of A., defeated Cornack and Sangster, R. M.; Tromp and Morrison, F. of A., defeated Scott and Ross, R. M.; Evans and Williams, F. of A., defeated Elrick and Milton, R. M.; Smith and Clark, F. of A., defeated Duncan and Sangster, R. M.; Smith and Gibb, F. of A., defeated Webster and Lind, R. M.; Forbes and Duncan, R. M., defeated Mackie and Milne, F. of A.; Marshall and Wishart, R. M., defeated Anderson and Borgh, F. of A.; Robertson and Laxson, R. M., defeated Veale and Patterson, F. of A.

The I. O. G. T. and M. U. teams play Friday evening.

The cribbage league standing:

	P.	W.	L.	Per.
F. of A.	43	28	20	.583
C. G.	43	27	21	.563
R. M.	48	25	23	.529
C. O. F.	43	23	25	.471
M. U.	40	17	23	.425
I. O. G. T.	40	16	24	.400

NOT YET WARM.

Mercury Went 18 Degrees Below the Decency Mark Last Night.

Humanity shivered this morning when it got up and looked out through the frost-marked windows on a prospect as cold and drear as the hand of the Frost King could paint it. And the general wail was, "Will the cold spell ever break?" Such a cold December has rarely been known in this winter-bound state. For days the mercury has been counting the zero mark and at times it has taken side trips to the bottom of the glass.

This morning there was a difference of register among the thermometers, the figures ranging from 14 to 18 degrees below the decency mark. In Montpelier it was even colder according to the mercury. On Main street 21 was the average. To show the intensity of the cold it is only necessary to state that ice formed to the depth of six inches in open places in the river at Montpelier Tuesday night.

A RECEPTION GIVEN.

Mrs. Micah French and the Rev. Mr. Roberts Guests of Honor Yesterday.

Mrs. F. G. Howland gave a reception to the ladies of St. Elizabeth's chapter yesterday afternoon, at her home, in honor of the Rev. Brian C. Roberts and Mrs. Micah French, it being the occasion of Mrs. French's 83th birthday. There were thirty guests present. An original poem written by the Rev. Charles H. Wells of Woodstock was read by F. G. Howland.

In behalf of the Chapter, the Rev. Mr. Roberts presented Mrs. French a Gloire De Lorraine begonia, and she in turn, for the Chapter, presented Mr. Roberts twenty-five dollars in gold. Mr. Roberts was taken completely by surprise but responded feelingly. A collation was served during the afternoon.

Before the members went home they gathered for a brief service, repeating the Apostolic Creed and the Lord's Prayer, then knelt to receive the blessing.

A GROWING ORDER.

Ladies of the Macabees Striving to Reach 200 Membership Mark.

At the last regular meeting of the Ladies of the Macabees the following officers were elected for the year: Lady commander, Mrs. J. A. Denno; lieutenant commander, Mrs. W. T. Campbell; record keeper, Mrs. J. Forbes; chaplain, Mrs. J. Morrison; mistress-at-arms, Mrs. E. Tobin; sergeant, Mrs. William Holden; sentinel, Mrs. Frank Bradbury; picket, Mrs. W. V. Avery. At a special meeting held yesterday afternoon eight new names were received, making the membership of the hive number nearly 100. With Lady Commander S. O. Harmon to work with them, they are sure to reach the mark for which they are striving, which is a membership of 200 by January 1, 1906.

SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS.

S. Garibaldi of Williamstown Pleaded Guilty to a Charge.

Chelsea, Dec. 15.—S. Garibaldi of Williamstown was given a sentence of not less than five years and not more than six in the state prison at Windsor. He pleaded guilty to assault with intent to commit rape on the six years old daughter of Mrs. Pontana of Williamstown on Nov. 22.

LAWSON IS STILL ALIVE.

Boston Man Declares He Is Not Completely Assassinated Yet.

Boston, Dec. 15.—The sensational rumor current in London that Mr. Lawson has been assassinated is without foundation. In fact Mr. Lawson was seen by a publishers press representative this morning and when told of the rumor made the following characteristic reply: "I'm not completely assassinated yet."

A WILD RUMOR.

London Stock Exchange Heard That Lawson Had Been Killed.

London, Dec. 15.—The rumor is current on the stock exchange this morning that Thomas W. Lawson of Boston has been assassinated.

Cold in Connecticut.

Lakeville, Conn., Dec. 15.—The thermometer registered -26 degrees here last night; at Millerton, N. Y., -30 degrees.

Canaries For Sale.

St. Andrewsburg and Hartz, Rollers birds. Good songsters. Charles Coutts, 17 Harrington avenue, Barre.

PURSE FILLED WITH GOLD

Given President Wm. Alexander of Manufacturers

GIFT FROM ASSOCIATES

In Recognition of His Arduous Work for the Welfare of the Association on His Election for a Fourth Year.

The Barre granite manufacturers, at their annual meeting last evening, paid a splendid tribute to their president, William S. Alexander, who was honored by a re-election for the fourth time, by presenting him a large purse of money, representing not so much a gift to be measured by dollars and cents, but as expressive of the good will and the appreciation of his associates in the granite industry. The presentation was a thorough surprise to President Alexander, and to use the words of one man, "it took the wind completely out of his sails." It was, indeed, a fitting recognition of his valuable services to the association.

Fifty manufacturers gathered in their rooms in the Prindle & Ayer block, and the meeting was one of the best ever held by the association. After several matters of business had been disposed of, Hugh J. M. Jones of Jones Bros. arose and proceeded to make President Alexander uncomfortable. His speech in presenting the purse was a neat one. He said that he believed any man who had done his duty is deserving of recognition. All eyes were turned toward the president of the association. He was unresponsive. Then turning to Mr. Alexander the speaker said: "I present you, Mr. Alexander, this purse as a token of our feeling and regard, and as a recognition of the splendid manner in which you have conducted yourself as president of this association. I believe that the manufacturers will agree with me that whenever any trouble has arisen in Barre and President Alexander has been appealed to he has given the small manufacturer the same treatment he has given the large manufacturer. I do not want you to accept this for what it is in dollars and cents, but simply as a token of our feeling."

The recipient was so embarrassed that he was unable to make a response for a time. Sandwiches and coffee were then passed around, and by that time Mr. Alexander had recovered enough from his surprise to tender a hearty thanks to the donors. The gift was from the association and from a few who are not members of the association. The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: President, William S. Alexander; first vice president, John W. McDonald; second vice president, William Barclay, Jr.; treasurer, George Robins; secretary, James Campbell.

The above with H. J. M. Jones, D. F. Ryle, both of Montpelier, George Cross of Northfield and A. J. Young of Barre constitute the executive committee. The auditors are M. N. Melver and D. H. McLeod.

After the election of officers the association took up several matters of interest to the members.

THE NORTHFIELD SITUATION.

Expected Settlement Has Not Yet Been Reached.

The Northfield granite cutters' strike has not been settled, but it is still confidently felt that an agreement will be reached before long. The Northfield cutters held a meeting today.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ELECTION.

W. A. Moore Grand Knight and P. Henry Brown, Deputy Knight.

Barre Council, Knights of Columbus, elected officers at its meeting last evening as follows: Grand Knight, W. A. Moore; deputy grand knight, P. Henry Brown; chancellor, James Higgins; warden, Daniel Murphy; recorder, D. J. Sullivan; financial secretary, A. C. Moore; treasurer, Edward Owens; inside guard, John Hardigan; outside guard, Thomas Barry; trustees, John O'Leary, H. J. Schneider, and J. M. Brault.

The meeting adjourned to Monday evening at 8 o'clock, when the first degree will be worked.

HEAVY LIABILITIES.

George W. Burgess of Barre Files a Voluntary Bankruptcy Petition.

Burlington, Dec. 15.—A petition in voluntary bankruptcy was filed at the district court clerk's office in Burlington yesterday by George W. Burgess, a granite tool sharpener of Barre. Liabilities \$12,211.90, assets \$4,177.91, exempt \$720. The debts are owing to local and outside creditors. Among the assets is \$2,500 worth of real estate.

LIGHTED A MATCH.

Head of Match Lodged in Couch and Started a Blaze.

Andrew Guthrie attempted to light a parlor match in his room in the Morse block last night. The head of the match flew off and lodged in the fringe of the couch. A small blaze was started, which resisted all attempts to put it out until a hand extinguisher was brought into requisition. The couch was ruined, but nothing else was damaged.